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Budget has million dollar increase

The town budget for next year is up, by seven per cent.

Town Manager Sterling Morris has presented his budget proposals to the Wilmington Finance Committee. Overall, it reflects an increase of just over one million dollars over last year's budget.

No increase has been proposed for the Constable of Wilmington in the new budget. The Constable is the man who posts official notices, such as call for town meetings, etc. He gets \$100 a year. It has been that for many years, and still will be then in the fiscal year

1979-80.

Another Wilmington official who will receive no increase in the coming year is the sealer of weights and measures. It is proposed to appropriate \$1500 for salary and \$50 for expenses, the same as was appropriated last spring.

Other than that there are increases in most of the listings, for the new budget. A notable exception to this statement is for the regional vocational school (Shawsheen Tech). Last year \$620,118 was appropriated. This year the cost is proposed to be

\$590,000 or a sum of money that is smaller by \$30,118.

The schools have the greatest proposed increase. The Wilmington School Department, by estimate, is asking for nearly \$600,000 more, an increase of \$4 in the tax rate.

The total school budget, salaries and expenses, comes to an estimated \$8,169,782 for the coming year. A year ago it was \$7,569,782.

The school budget has not yet been completed, though.

School maintenance and operation asks for \$1,175,038, which is an increase of \$31,576 over the previous year. School grounds cost is to be increased by \$25,400, part of this being on a warrant article. The cost of town buildings is to be \$12,700 larger than a year ago, for a total of \$102,100.

Rubbish collection is one of the larger items in the town budget. The cost for 1979-80 is estimated at \$205,300. This is up \$18,585 over the figures of last year.

The cost of street lights seems to be doubling, probably due to an increased cost of fuel. A year ago the

cost was \$54,000. This year the recommendation is for \$108,000.

Another large increase is to be found in snow and ice control. A year ago \$183,099 was voted. This year the request is for \$210,220, or an increase of \$27,121.

Police Department costs show a significant increase. This year the sum is shown at \$831,830. A year ago it was \$806,218. The increase is \$25,612.

Stated another way, the Police Department will cost \$5.50 on the tax rate.

The Fire Department will not cost as much as the police. \$689,548 is the figure shown for the coming year. A year ago it was \$670,527. That's up \$19,021.

The grand total, in the Town Manager's recommendations for the coming year amounts to a budget of \$16 million, and an increase of \$1,031,291 over that of a year ago (including warrant articles).

Morris estimates the tax rate at \$81.07. The tax rate last year came in at \$79.

Police had busy weekend

Christmas weekend found the Wilmington police investigating a string of incidents that almost read like the Twelve Nights of Christmas.

Between Friday and Monday, the department recorded three burglaries, several arrests, one hold-up, one larceny and an escaped prisoner.

Six individuals were apprehended in three separate incidents. One of these, a black male held on conspiracy to commit larceny and possession of burglarious tools, escaped from the Wilmington jail approximately six hours after his arrest, after giving the police a phony name. No one knows how he escaped, said Sgt. David McCue.

Police have issued a warrant for the arrest of Frank O. Rogers, of various addresses in the Boston-Roxbury area. Rogers, who originally identified himself as Charles Lee Johnson, willingly surrendered to three employees of Birch Super Drug of Wilmington Plaza Saturday afternoon after being observed allegedly helping himself to the contents of the cosmetic department's cash register.

Rogers was arrested by Sgts. McCue and James Palmer and Officer William Lynch. Arrested later, when she attempted to bail Rogers, was his alleged female accomplice, 22-year-old Scott Jenel of Dorchester.

According to the store's cosmetic department clerk, Rogers was spotted by her with his hand full of money poised over the open cash register drawer. The clerk, who was returning after having momentarily left her station, said she had locked the register and removed the key before leaving.

As she began returning to her station, she said, she was stopped by a young black woman who asked her a

lot of questions about makeup. Witnesses in the store later said they had seen the woman talking with Rogers.

The clerk was not distracted by the woman, however, and was able to retrieve the money, estimated at about \$200 from Rogers.

After his arrest, Rogers was found to have a large quantity of keys in his possession, many of which were for International Cash Registers. One of the keys recovered fit the Birch Drugstore cash register.

Jenel was released shortly after her arrest on personal recognizance. Scheduled to appear in Woburn court on Tuesday, she defaulted and failed to appear.

In an unrelated incident Saturday morning, Sgt. Palmer arrested two Wilmington youths for breaking and entry and larceny at Rocco's Restaurant. Slightly over \$200 in bills and coins was recovered from the pair.

Also on Saturday, at 3:35 p.m., two Winchester youths were apprehended following a hold-up at knife point of two other youths near U-Haul, Inc. on Main Street.

Police are also investigating the theft Monday of \$3,238 in merchandise from the Sandron T.V. company on Route 129. Officers Michael Celata and Dennis Rooney responded to an alarm at 9:52 p.m. Monday, found the front door knocked in. Taken in the break were four color t.v.s, two video cassette recorders, two CB radios, two radios, and one police scanner.

On Friday, the owner of a home on Third Avenue in Wilmington reported the theft of a stereo, a color t.v. and a rabbit coat after a break and entry at that address sometime between 5 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.



Snow show

Frosty the Snowman was warmly received in a Christmas pageant last Thursday afternoon at the Wildwood School. Frosty lives with the Piscatelli family at 4 Strout Ave., Wilmington and is otherwise known as Maureen.

Bids opened for water projects

The E. W. Brown Company Inc. of Westboro seems to have been the lowest bidder for construction of a pipeline for the proposed water treatment plant, off Butters Row. The Wilmington Water Commissioners are preparing to build the water treatment plant, estimated to cost \$24 million.

Bids a week ago Thursday were for a pipe line, and (separately) for the construction of a gravel packed well, both auxiliary to the proposed water treatment plant. Bids for the plant itself will be sometime in March or April.

Brown bid \$130,740 on the pipeline. Second bid was Methuen Construction of Methuen, \$148,587. There were four

bidders.

Three firms bid for the construction of a gravel packed well, four hundred feet from Butters Row. Layne New England Co. of Arlington was low, with a bid of \$39,944. Second was R.E. Chapman of Oakdale, \$40,788 and D.L. Maher of North Reading was high, with a bid of \$47,970.40.

Alice Doucette dies at 97

"I need you" said Dr. Daniel Buzzell.

Dr. Buzzell was the family physician of Wilmington for about half a century. A school, on School Street is named for him.

The young lady to whom he was speaking was Mary Alice Doucette. She was a graduate of the Lawrence General Hospital, in Lawrence, and she was employed as a private nurse by the Shattuck family of that city.

It was during the influenza epidemic of 1918 that Dr. Buzzell made his request. It was a request that she could not refuse. Alice, of course, left the Shattuck family and started to work in Wilmington.

Alice was a registered nurse. As such she had not done too much in the study of public health. She felt that she should, that she would take up

some courses in public health.

"That," said Dr. Buzzell, "is like putting a cake in the oven a second time."

There was one time, during the epidemic, Dr. Buzzell later said, that neither he nor Miss Doucette had more than a cat nap for themselves, during a total of 13 days. The people of Wilmington were very ill, in January of 1919. Dr. Buzzell and Alice Doucette, RN, did their duty by their fellow men.

It was in 1921 that Alice Doucette became the visiting nurse of Wilmington. She had already served in that capacity for three years.

She was a little more, now, than just a sort of aide to Dr. Buzzell. Now she was, part of the time at least, on her own.

There was hardly a family in Wilmington to whom she did not minister, in those years. Wilmington men and women who are now gray, or nearly so about their ears can say that it was Alice Doucette, RN., who was by their mother's side when they were born.

Almost without exception children were born at home in those days, and the stork often made his appearance at about 3 a.m.

As the visiting nurse of Wilmington she brought cheer and light to the homes of Wilmington. Tonsilectomies and other such surgeries were often performed at home. It was Alice, often, who administered the ether. She brought, in her technique, a rare combination of very human qualities and the best nursing techniques.

There are many stories which persist to this day.

There was the elderly man who had tucked away his insurance papers in a trunk, and then put the trunk in the barn, up on the hayloft.

He was on his deathbed. Those in-

surance papers suddenly became important.

Alice left the house, went out to the barn, climbed into the hayloft and found those papers. Her patient breathed his last in the comfort that the insurance papers were intact.

In 1921 when she became the visiting nurse she was given a Model T Ford by the Visiting Nurse Association. Alice became an adept at driving a Model T, which, fortunately, was equipped with a self-starter.

But there were days when she had to crank it by hand, when she had to jack up the rear wheel, while she was doing this.

And the Model T did not always go through the mud and ruts that marked some of the back streets of the town. Many times Alice walked the last half mile on foot, on her mission of mercy.

Alice had a good background for her kindness to humanity. Her daddy was Jerry Doucette, Jeremiah Doucette, who was one of the first Frenchmen, perhaps the very first to move to Wilmington from Nova Scotia. Jerry worked in the Nod Mill, 10 hours a day, and then, after his work was done, cut trees on property he had bought off Ballardvale Street. The trees were milled, and used to build his home. Jerry laid the stones that became the foundation of his home, and it was in that home that Alice was born on July 25, 1881.

Jerry, too, it should be noted, was the man who had the first Catholic Sunday School, in Wilmington. He started it in the building which later was known as The Shamrock, for the children of the families who were attending Mass in Ballardvale.

Jerry was an ideal father and Alice was an ideal daughter.

On Christmas Eve, after 97 years and five months, the Lord tapped Alice on the shoulder.

"I need you," he said.

Eleven students suspended for drinking

Eleven Wilmington High School students were suspended from school last week after a field trip that ended in a back-of-the-bus drinking bout, involving beer, Southern Comfort and at least one smashed bottle, witnesses said.

The incident, reported to the school administration by a bus driver, occurred as the students returned from a day-long field trip to Quincy Market

sponsored by the school's art department.

Two busloads of youngsters participated in the trip, but High School Principal George Eisenberg said that only a few were involved in the incident.

According to a school department policy adopted last April, students may be suspended from school pending a parental conference when even suspected of drug or alcohol abuse. Up until this time, Eisenberg said, definite proof was necessary before action could be taken.

The new policy, according to Eisenberg, has been a major factor in what he calls a "lessening" of the drug and alcohol problem in Wilmington schools. The problem is, however, still prevalent, he cautioned.

"This has been a strong step taken by the school committee to bring the

issue to a head," Eisenberg said.

"Students are now less likely to take chances."

Of the 11 students suspended, Eisenberg said, only one has not returned to the school with his parents.

"Most parents are cooperative," he continued, "and appreciate the fact that the school would notify them."

According to Eisenberg, the Tuesday, December 19, incident was unusual only because it occurred on a school bus and because it involved so large a group.

Other students have been suspended during the year, he said, for suspected drug and alcohol abuse.

"Unfortunately drug and alcohol abuse is a reality of high schools," Eisenberg said. One of the reasons, he suggested, was the lowering of the legal drinking age in Massachusetts to 18. I may have a dozen 19-year-olds in the high school, he said, but 50 to 75 18-year-olds.

This year, Eisenberg pointed out, Governor Dukakis vetoed two bills passed by the Legislature which would have raised the drinking age to 19. Governor-elect King has indicated he would approve raising the drinking age.

Both of the bills vetoed by Gov. Dukakis were supported by the Massachusetts Principals Association, Eisenberg said.



Town of Wilmington



Board of Selectmen

Town Meeting Warrant Articles

Notice is hereby given that Articles for inclusion in the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in March 1979, must be submitted to the Board of Selectmen, in Wilmington Town Hall no later than 4:30 p.m. January 5, 1979.

Aldo A. Cairn, Chmn.
D20,27,J3 Board of Selectmen

Town of Wilmington Rubbish Collection

Due to the Monday holiday, all rubbish collections in Wilmington will be one day late next week. Please note, rubbish containers must not exceed 30 gallons in size.

coming events

Wed., Dec. 27, and Fri., Dec. 29: 3 p.m., Holiday films for school children at Tewks. Public Library, free tickets at the library.

Thurs., Dec. 28: 3 p.m., Sports medicine clinic at Regional Health Center.

Thurs., Dec. 28 and Fri., Dec. 29: 10-11 a.m. Wil. Rec. free ice skating for parents and children through grade three at Youth Ice Arena.

Thurs., Dec. 28 and Fri., Dec. 29: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wil. Rec. free open ice skating for any Wil. resident at Youth Ice Arena.

Fri., Dec. 29: 7 p.m. Family movie night at Tewksbury Methodist Church, Rte. 38. Admission \$1.00.

Sat., Dec. 30: 12 to 1 p.m. Last week of boys Free Basketball Clinic at Wil. H.S. gym.

Sun., Dec. 31: 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Wil. VFW New Year's Eve party.

Sun., Dec. 31: New Year's Eve party at VFW Hall by Tewks. Newcomers Club. 851-6107 for reservations.

Sun., Dec. 31: No swimming for any Wil. resident at Tech Pool, per Rec. Dept.

Tues., Jan. 2: Last day to register at Reading YMCA, 944-7989 for tennis tournament January 8-14.

Tues., Jan. 2: 7 p.m., Tewks. Campfire LSO meeting at Elks Hall.

Wed., Jan. 3: 11 a.m., Wil. senior citizens' law project and legal clinic at Senior Center.

Wed., Jan. 3: 2:30 to 5:10 p.m. Ski lessons, grades four through six. Call Wil. Rec. 658-6512 to register.

Wed., Jan. 3: 5:20 to 6:20, Wil. Youth Hockey Clinic at Youth Ice Arena.

Wed., Jan. 3: 8 p.m., Wil. Newcomers Club "Country Store" program at Public Library. Public invited.

Wed., Jan. 3: 9 to 10 p.m., Wil. Ladies open gym at North Intermediate School.

Thurs., Jan. 4: 3 p.m. Sports Medicine Clinic at Regional Health Center, Salem St., Wilmington.

Thurs., Jan. 4: 8 to 10 p.m., Wil. Men's Open gym at West Intermediate School.

Sat., Jan. 6: Baton lessons for girls at Swain School. Call Wil. Rec. 658-6512 to register.

Sun., Jan. 7: 6 to 9 p.m., Swimming at Tech Pool for Wil. residents.

Mon., Jan. 8: 1:30 p.m., Whist at Wil. Senior Center.

Mon., Jan. 8: Pack 56 Committee meeting.

Tues., Jan. 9: Wil. adult ski program and lessons. 658-6512 to register.

Please submit items for coming events listing at least one week before desired date of publication.

letter

Dear Mr. Neilson

This past summer Mrs. Harnden and I had occasion to be visiting in New England and we were delighted to have the time to explore the Harnden Tavern, with a splendid personal tour of the premises by Mrs. Melinda Murphy.

I am writing this to let you know that we certainly want to be considered "Friends" of the Tavern even though we live so far away. My forebears came from New York state and in particular, the upper region of the Hudson River, but I'm sure there must be some link with historical background of Wilmington!

As a point of interest we have a new grandson, born October 25, 1978, whose name is Joshua Daves Harnden. With best personal wishes at the Holiday time, and looking forward to another visit in the future, I am

Sincerely yours,
Farr R. Harnden
4201 Chestnut Rd.,
Temple, Texas, 76501

The first Harndens came from Wilmington, so you are a Wilmington Harnden. Richard Harnden, who settled in Wilmington in 1667, was Richard Harnden while living at Merry Mount (now part of Quincy) before moving to what was then a part of Reading, Ed)

Tues., Jan. 9: 3:30 to 5 p.m. first Yoga class. Register with Wil. Rec., 658-6512.

Wed., Jan. 10: 7:30 p.m. Tewks. Finance Committee meeting at town hall.

Thurs., Jan. 11: 7:30 to 9 p.m., Mass. Society of Genealogists, Middlesex North Chapter, monthly meeting at Conference Room, Wilmington Library.

Sat., Jan. 13: Swim and gym for Pack 56.

Sun., Jan. 14: 6:30 p.m., "Christ in the Passover" by Jews for Jesus group at Congregational Church, Tewks. Center. Free. Public invited.

Mon., Jan. 15: Cub Scouts 56 Pack meeting.

Wed., Jan. 17: All day Immunization Clinic by Tewks. Bd. of Health, by appt. only. 851-6371. For preschoolers and high school students only.

Wed., Jan. 17: 11 a.m., Wil. senior citizens' law project and legal clinic at Senior Center.

Wed., Jan. 17: 8 p.m., South Wil. Betterment Assoc. meeting at K of C Hall.

Wed., Jan. 17: 2 to 4 p.m. Foot clinic for Tewks. seniors at the fire station.

Mon., Jan. 29: 7 to 8:30 p.m. Ladies Gymnastics at West Intermediate School. Call Wil. Rec. 658-6512 to register.

school menus

Shawsheen Tech menus

Tuesday: Chicken in Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Buttered Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Chilled Fruit and Milk - or - Vegetable Soup, Barbecued Beef on a Roll, Buttered Peas, French Fries, Chilled Fruit and Milk.

Wednesday: Breaded Veal Patties, Brown Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Buttered Carrots, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Jello with Topping and Milk - or - Frankfort in a Roll, Buttered Corn, Cheese Wedges, Jello with Topping and Milk.

Wilmington School cafeteria menus

Thursday: Vegetable Soup, Tomato and Cheese Pizza, Crisp Garden Salad, Peanut Butter Cookie and Milk - or - Vegetable Soup, Tuna Salad Sandwich, Fresh Garden Salad, Peanut Butter Cookie and Milk.

Friday: Scrambled Hamburg in Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Buttered Corn Niblets, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Ice Cream and Milk - or - Hot Sliced Turkey and Gravy Sandwich, Cranberry Sauce, Buttered Vegetables, French Fries, Ice Cream and Milk.

Thursday: Cheeseburger on Roll, French Fries, Chilled Fruit, Vegetables, Milk and Cookies.

Friday: Orange Juice, Italian Style Pizza, Tomato and Cheese, Vegetables or Salad, Ice Cream and Milk.

Tewksbury school lunch menu

Tuesday: Roast Beef Chunks, Gravy, Whipped Potato, Buttered Green Beans, Roll and Butter, Pudding and Milk.

Wednesday: Tomato Vegetable Soup, Grilled Cheese Roll, Frosted Cake and Milk.

Thursday: Scrambled Hamburg, Gravy, Whipped Potato, Buttered Peas, Roll and Butter, Peanut Butter Cookie and Milk.

Friday: Chilled Juice, Tomato and Cheese Pizza, Carrot and Celery Sticks, Ice Cream and Milk.

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Leon and Anna Gagnon married fifty years



The guest room at the Branding Iron, in Tewksbury was the site of the celebration of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Leon and Anna Gagnon of 160 Lake Street, Wilmington on November 4. The couple exchanged vows over 50 years ago, in Laconia, New Hampshire.

Ten children, together with their husbands and-or wives and children and friends were present.

Among the sons were George of Buckingham Street, Wilmington; Arthur, Independence Road; Albert of Warren Road and Paul of South Street, Tewksbury; Robert of Three Rivers, Mass and Wilfred of Londonderry, N.H.

Daughters who were present were Theresa Cadeiro of 5 Brown Street Tewksbury; Madeline Bimbo, Beeching Road; Claire Sullivan, Lake Street; and Yvonne Love of Woburn Street, Wilmington. Mr. and Mrs. Gagnon left the next day for their annual vacation in Florida.

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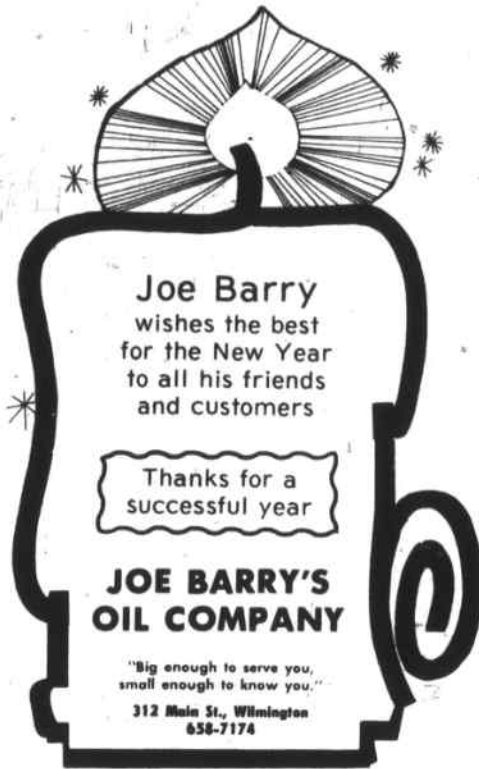
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**Wilmington
Country Store**

The Wilmington Newcomers' Club will sponsor a country
store at Wilmington Memorial
Library beginning at 8 p.m. on
Wednesday, January 3.

A display of new, used and
handmade items and baked
goods will be offered and par-
ticipants may purchase 10
chances for \$1.00 to try their
luck at winning any of the
items.

The event, to be held in con-
junction with the group's
regular meeting will also in-
clude a discussion of the wine
and cheese tasting party for
couples, scheduled to be held
Saturday, January 20.

All Wilmington residents
(not only newcomers) are in-
vited to attend the January 3
meeting. Anyone wishing to
donate items for the sale is
urged to call Joan Danciewicz
at 658-5452. Donations may
also be taken to the sale.

For information regarding
the Wilmington Newcomers' Club, or to arrange transpor-
tation for the January 3
events, call Shirley Aumack
at 658-6091.

bits & pieces

Birthdays
January 1 will mark the
special day of Norma O'Con-
nor of Chestnut Street,
Wilmington, Don Durant of
Lowell Street, David Ardolino
of Broad Street and Noel
Ogden of Charles Drive,
Tewksbury.

Bonnie Reinholdt of
Sprucewood Road,
Wilmington will blow out the
candles for the 17th time on
January 2 and will share
greetings with Ann Marie
Cappodanno of Arlene
Avenue; Dot Shelley of Ranch
Road and Eleanor McCue of
Burlington Avenue.

Diane DeLuca of Woburn
Street, Wilmington will be
serenaded by friends and
relatives for the 16th time on
January 3 and will share her
special day with Jean Birken-
bach of Salem Street.

January 4 will mark the 16th
birthday of Brenda Ward of
Burlington Avenue,
Wilmington.

Also celebrating on January
4 will be Patricia O'Reilly of
Wildwood Street, Wilmington
who will make it to 17 and Ann
Domigan of Gunderson
Road, also 17.

Although she's been claim-
ing the day longer, Josephine
Fiola of Ayotte Street,
Wilmington will have to share
her January 5 birthday with
James Boudreau of Roosevelt
Road.

Anniversaries
George and Grace Murray
of Deering Way, Wilmington
will observe their 46th wed-
ding anniversary on January 1.

Barbara and Kenny Smith
of Clark Street, Wilmington
will dance the Anniversary
Waltz for the 18th time on
January 7.

From the fire log
Members of Wilmington's
Fire Department answered 34
calls for assistance last week
including:

Four car fires; 16 am-
bulance runs; three brush
fires; five false alarms; four
service calls and two
dumpster fires.

**Ken Dalton to serve
in security police**

Airman Kenneth Dalton,
son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J.
Dalton of 48 Grove Avenue,
Wilmington, is at Lackland
Air Force Base, in Texas,
where he is undergoing train-
ing in the security police field,
for the US Air Force.

Dalton recently graduated
from Air Force basic training
at Lackland AFB. He is a 1978
graduate of Shawheen Tech
High School.

Visitors from Florida
Jeanette and Will Kelloway
of Sarasota Florida, formerly
of School and Church Streets,
Wilmington are currently
visiting here with Lisa and
Scott. According to the
Kelloways' that sun and lovely
white sand is great for the
rest of the year...but it
doesn't seem like Christmas
anywhere but here....

Golden Age meeting
The Tewksbury Golden Age
Club will hold its next meeting
on Tuesday, January 9, at 1:30
p.m. at the Elks Hall, South
Street.

Additional birthday
Roy Kizler of Anthony
Road, Tewksbury will face a
birthday cake glowing with
eight candles on December 28.

Movie in Tewksbury
The film, "Chitty, Chitty
Bang Bang" will be shown at 7
p.m. on Friday, December 29
at the United Methodist
Church in Tewksbury (Route
38 and South Street). Admis-
sion will be \$1.00 at the door.
Refreshments will be
available.

Holiday dance
St. Robert's Youth will
sponsor a Holiday Dance Fri-
day, December 29 from 7:30 to
11 p.m. Music will be provid-
ed by the vibrant six piece
band "Stormbringer."

Area youth in grade nine or
over are invited to attend. Ad-
mission is \$1.50 and identifica-
tion should be presented.
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"Christ in the Passover"
January 14

Parishoners of the Tewksbury
Churches and residents of the com-
munity are cordially invited to an
hour-long program on Sunday,
January 14, "Christ in the Passover,"
presented by Keith Warwick of "Jews
for Jesus," starting at 6:30 p.m. in the
Congregational Church at the corner
of Main and East streets.

"Christ in the Passover" depicts
the annual Jewish feast and its
Christological significance through a
visual display of the items tradition-
ally used in the Passover celebration.
The symbolic significance of these
items is explained using the clear in-
sight the Holy Spirit has given us.
Through the demonstration, a clear
picture of Christ, God's ultimate
Passover Lamb, is presented for
those who may not know Him. They
feel the "Christ in the Passover"
demonstration is particularly signifi-
cant as it relates to our Christian
communion observance.

The Jews for Jesus group considers
itself an "arm" of the local church,
and, as such, we believe in a mutually
supportive relationship with the
church, after the example of Christ.
They hope to give more than they hope
to gain - to be an honor to their Jewish
heritage and an example of Christian
integrity.

In extending the invitation, the Rev.
David C. Williams, pastor of the host
Congregational Church, urges par-
ticipation of youth and adults who are
interested in better understanding for
Jewish heritage as Christians, and
seeing that specifically in the
Passover Meal/Lord's Supper
celebration.

The program will begin at 6:30 p.m.
and last approximately one hour, with
refreshments to follow, and a free-
will offering will be taken to support
the "Jews for Jesus" work.

Family night
movie

The Tewksbury United
Methodist Church is present-
ing its second "Family Night
Movie" on Friday December
29 at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship
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and refreshments will be sold.
The movie is a musical
comedy. For information call
658-8123.

Deborah Zolondick
vice president

Deborah Zolondick,
daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Martin Zolondick of 11 Marcus
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elected vice-president of the
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Lynne Hastings to
wed Robert E. Maxwell

Mr. and Mrs. James T.
Hastings, of 105 Chestnut
Street, Wilmington have an-
nounced the engagement of
their daughter, Lynne C.
Hastings to Robert E. Max-
well, son of Dr. Robert E.
Maxwell and the late Mrs.
Janet Maxwell of Nashua,
N.H.

Miss Hastings is a 1976
graduate of Wilmington High
School. Her fiancé is a 1976
graduate of Bishop Guertin
High School of Nashua. Both
are now juniors at the Uni-
versity of New Hampshire.
No date has been set for the
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4:00 p.m.

Start dates for these
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mined by the number of
eligible applicants

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eligible and residents of the
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obituaries

Regional Health Center

Friends, relatives and loved ones honored by contributions in their memory to the Regional Health Center in Wilmington this week include:

In memory of Flora Serpa, mother of Mrs. Lillian Collins from the Emil Novak family. In memory of Lillian Breakey, mother of Roger Breakey from the Emil Novak family.

In memory of Mary Willson, mother of Richard Willson from the Emil Novak family. In memory of Gladstone Capritto from the members of the Wilmington Sons of Italy. In memory of our grandson Paul Palizzolo, Jr. from Mr. and Mrs. C.S. Goodwin, Jr.

In memory of loved ones at this Christmas season from Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smeltzer. In memory of Mrs. Sheila Harrington, sister of Mrs. Ann Anderson, from the Independent Mixed Ten Pin League.

In memory of Philip S. Park and Henry M. Park of Wilmington and in memory of Ethel B. Park of Reading and other relatives and friends from Martha G. Rice and family.

In memory of Brian Bureau and Chuck McInnis, sadly missed at Christmas from Pamela M. Bureau.

In memory of Frances Kiley, mother of Dan Kiley from fellow workers at the General Electric Quality Laboratory.

Alice Doucette, RN 97 years in Wilmington

M. Alice Doucette of 32 Ballardvale St., Wilmington died Monday afternoon in Lowell.

Born in Wilmington on July 25, 1881, the daughter of the late Anne D. (Meuse) and the late Jeremiah Doucette, she had been a life-long resident here. She received her education here, became a registered nurse having served in private duty before becoming the public health nurse for the town of Wilmington in which capacity she served for 50 years. She is survived by many nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be held from the W.S. Cavanaugh &

Son Funeral Home, 374 Main Street, Wilmington on Thursday morning at nine followed by a funeral Mass at St. Thomas Church at 10 a.m. which will be celebrated by the Rev. Father Francis W. Mackin. Burial will take place in the family lot, Wildwood Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home on Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 and from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT

Middlesex, ss. To the Honorable the Judges of the Land Court for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Respectfully represents Ann Marie Williams of Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth, that she is owner of a certain lot of land with the buildings thereon, situate in Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth, bounded and described as follows:

The land together with the buildings situated thereon and being shown on a "Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass." drawn by William G. Troy & Associates recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds Plan Book 122, Plan 120 and bounded and described as follows:

WESTERLY by Swain Road, according to said plan, 120.50 feet; NORTHERLY by land of Philip & Barbara L. Konarschuk, 137.74 feet; EASTERLY by land of Frederick R. Greenleaf, 116.00 feet; and SOUTHERLY by land of Augustus and Pauline Blaisdell, 156.47 feet.

Containing, according to said plan 17,337 square feet. That the record title to said lot of land is clouded by a mortgage given by Adeline S. Cochrane, to Jennie A. Berry dated September 11, 1942, and duly recorded Book 983, Page 225, purporting to secure a note for \$200, payable in or within 6 months with interest annually, which mortgage appears to be undischarged, unassigned and unrecorded on and by the record - or not properly or legally discharged of record.

That for more than twenty years after the expiration of the time limited for the full performance of said condition no payment has been made and no other act done in recognition of said mortgage; and

That the mortgagor named in said mortgage and those claiming under have been in uninterrupted possession of said land for more than twenty years after the expiration of time limited in said mortgage for the full performance of the condition thereof. WHEREFORE your petitioner prays that after appropriate notices a decree may be entered on the foregoing

Bits & Pieces

Sports clinic
The Regional Health Center in Wilmington has added a new service, a Sports Medicine Clinic on Thursday afternoons, beginning at three o'clock. The clinic is for amateur, recreational, school and professional athletes.

Dr. Barry Dorn, an orthopedic surgeon, will conduct the clinic. He treats acute and chronic injuries and gives consultation to those who wish to begin a sports regime or program. Appointments may be made by calling Dr. Dorn at 657-3910, ext. 540.

allegations as authorized by Section 15, Chapter 240 of the General Laws as amended by Chapter 20, of the Acts of 1924.

By her Attorney Ralph J. McKenna

A true copy, attest:

Jeanne M. Maloney

Notary Public

On this 29th day of November 1978,

personally appeared before me the within named Ralph J. McKenna known to me to be the signer of the foregoing petition, and made oath, that the statements therein contained so far as made of his own knowledge are true and so far as made upon information and belief that he believes them to be true.

Before me Myrtle D. Smith

Notary Public

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

LAND COURT

CASE NO. 92870

Middlesex, ss.

Upon the foregoing petition, it is ordered that the petitioner give notice to all persons interested in said petition to appear before the Land Court, at Lowell, within and for our said County of Middlesex (where appearances and answers may be filed with Edward J. Early, Jr., Register of Deeds for the North Registry District of said Middlesex County, as Assistant Recorder of said Court) on the first Monday of February next, by causing a true and attested copy of said petition and this order to be published forthwith once a week, for three successive weeks, in the Town Crier, a newspaper published in Wilmington, in said County of Middlesex, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before said first Monday of February next; by serving each known respondent by registered mail with a like attested copy of said petition and order as soon as may be and in any event fourteen days at least before said first Monday of February next; that all respondents may then and there show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

By the Court:

Attest: JEANNE M. MALONEY

Notary Public

Dated December 4, 1978.

A true copy attest:

Jeanne M. Maloney

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SHERIFF'S SALE

Middlesex, ss.

Lowell, December 12, 1978

Taken on execution and will be sold by public auction on the 18th day of January, 1979 on Thursday at 9:30 o'clock A.M. at the SHERIFF'S OFFICE, 199 MARKET STREET, LOWELL, County of Middlesex, all the right, title and interest that said Ronald M. Cuthill and Ruth E. Cuthill of Cunningham Street in the Town of Wilmington County of Middlesex, had (not exempt by law from levy on execution or from attachment) on the 12th day of December 1978, being the time when the same was seized on execution, in and to the following described registered land, to wit: Book 107 Page 13.

Certificate of Title 20007.

Southeasterly by Cunningham Street, two hundred fifty (250) feet; Southwesterly by Lexington Street, one hundred three and 23/100 (103.23) feet; Northwesterly by Lots 100 and 86, two hundred fifty (250) feet, and Northwesterly by Lot 94, one hundred three and 23/100 (103.23) feet.

Terms of Sale - Cash

Robert S. Masse

DEPUTY SHERIFF

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held in the Town Hall at 8:30 p.m. on January 8, 1979 at the office of the Board of Selectmen, in compliance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 148, Section 13, on the application of Abcor, Inc. for a license to store 275 gallons of Acetone aboveground on a lot of land at 850 Main Street, Wilmington. A plot plan is made part of this application.

Aldo A. Cairra, Chmn.

Board of Selectmen

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of Francis T. O'Hearne late of Wilmington in said County, deceased. A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Jane M. O'Hearne of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex be appointed administratrix of said estate, without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the sixteenth day of January 1979, the return day of this citation.

Witness, Edward T. Martin, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirteenth day of December 1978.

Paul J. Cavanaugh

Register

D20.27, J3

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held in the Town Hall at 8:30 p.m. on January 8, 1979 at the office of the Board of Selectmen, in compliance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 148, Section 13, on the application of Charles River Breeding Laboratories, Inc. for a license to store 10,000 gallons of Diesel Fuel underground on a lot of land at 251 Ballardvale Street, Wilmington. A plot plan is made part of this application.

Aldo A. Cairra, Chmn.

Board of Selectmen

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TOWN OF WILMINGTON

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PROBATE COURT

Middlesex, ss. No. 126182

Linda A. Cardwell, Plaintiff

vs.

Brooks A. Cardwell, Defendant

Order of Service by Publication

Upon motion of the plaintiff for an order directing Brooks A. Cardwell, the defendant herein, to appear, plead or answer, in accordance with Supplemental Rule 407 of the Probate Courts, it appearing to the Court that this is an action - to dissolve the bonds of matrimony - for separate support and maintenance alimony - for custody of and allowance for minor children - for conveyance of real or personal property located within the Commonwealth - that the said Brooks A. Cardwell cannot be found within the Commonwealth and that his present whereabouts are unknown; that personal service on said defendant is therefore not practicable, and that said defendant has not voluntarily appeared in this action, it is

Ordered that said Brooks A. Cardwell is directed to appear, plead, answer or otherwise move with respect to the complaint herein on or before the twenty-ninth day of January 1979, or in default thereof this Court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this suit.

Ordered that the accompanying summons be published in the Town Crier of Wilmington in said Middlesex County once a week for three consecutive weeks beginning December 21, 1978, and it is further

Ordered that a copy of the summons be mailed to the defendant at his last known address by registered or certified mail.

Date: D21.27, J3

Edward T. Martin

Judge of Probate

BOARD OF APPEALS

Case 1-79

A Public Hearing will be held at the Town Hall Annex, 150 Middlesex Avenue on Tuesday Evening, January 9, 1979, at 7:00 p.m., on the application of Robert F. Brown, 8 Veranda Avenue, to acquire a variance from section V-1 (Schedule of requirements) to allow an existing garage to remain within a required reserve rear yard. (Assessors' Map 45 Lot 43).

Bruce MacDonald, Chmn.

Board of Appeals

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BOARD OF APPEALS

Case 2-79

A Public Hearing will be held at the Town Hall Annex, 150 Middlesex Avenue on Tuesday Evening, January 9, 1979, at 7:00 p.m., on the application of John A. Lovetiere, 18 Lexington Street, to acquire a special permit in accordance with section III-B-5 to allow for additional sign area for property located at 585 Main Street. (Assessors' Map 41 Lot 138A).

Bruce MacDonald, Chmn.

Board of Appeals

D20.27

MORTGAGEE'S SALE

DECEMBER 12, 1978

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Kenneth J. Dec and Catherine U. Dec, husband and wife, of Tewksbury, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to the Andover Savings Bank, a corporation established in Andover, Massachusetts, dated January 28, 1976, recorded in the North District of Middlesex Registry of Deeds Book 2182, Page 113, for breach of the conditions contained in said mortgage deed, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, and in accordance with a decree of Land Court (case no. 9146-Misc.) will be sold at public auction on the mortgaged premises on Thursday afternoon, February 1, 1979, at 2:30 p.m., the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely,

a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Tewksbury, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, being shown as Lot B on a plan by S. Albert Kaufman, dated June 4, 1962, bounded and described as follows:

Southerly by Pleasant Street, forty feet; Westerly by Lot 32 on said plan, being land now or formerly of Hibbard, one hundred feet; Northwesterly by Lot A on said plan, two hundred thirty-five and nine hundredths feet; Northerly by Lot A on said plan, two hundred seven and fifty hundredths feet; Easterly by land now or formerly of Marshall, two hundred thirty-six feet.

Southerly again by Pleasant Street, one hundred sixty and three hundredths feet; Westerly again by Lot 41 on said plan, being land now or formerly

of Bailey, one hundred feet; Southerly again by the same one hundred feet; Easterly again by the same one hundred feet.

Containing, according to said plan, one and forty-seven hundredths acres of land, more or less. The premises are conveyed subject to a right of way for the benefit of Lot A on said plan in the forty foot strip of land shown on said plan between Lots 32 and 41 for access to and from Pleasant Street for all purposes for which ways are commonly used in the Town of Tewksbury.

The premises are conveyed subject to any or all easements, rights, or restrictions to maintain power lines and oil lines as granted to New England Power Co., Colonial Beacon Oil Co. and Lowell Electric Light Corp. by instruments duly recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds.

Said premises will be conveyed subject to all unpaid taxes and to any other municipal assessments. A deposit of \$2,000.00 in cash, bank check or certified check will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale and the balance of the purchase money is to be paid in cash, bank check or certified check within twenty days thereafter to be deposited in escrow with the firm of Tomlinson & Hatch pending approval of said sale by the Land Court. Deed to be taken within ten days from the date of approval of said sale by the Land Court. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

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Tech students learn art as a trade



Prize piece

Tech Student Danny Williams is shown with his prize-winning poster design. At left is Richard Peterson, shop instructor. Anthony Bazzinatti, technical coordinator of Shawsheen Tech is at right.

In the Commercial Art and Technical Illustrating Department of Shawsheen Valley Technical High School the students are exposed to all relevant areas of the trade. Students get a basic training in such diverse phases of the trade as technical illustration, fashion design and rendering, pastep, photography, agency layout and design procedures, mechanicals and illustration. The students work in pen, pencil, magic marker, ink and paint and also have a photographic darkroom, airbrush and other tools available for their training.

Students enter contests and shows periodically, utilizing their skills in graphics and posters for shows at the Burlington Mall, Pie Festival and Spring Arts Festival. Danny Williams, a 17-year-old senior recently won a Third Place Ribbon for his poster design utilizing the theme, "The Victorian Era" in a contest sponsored by the Lowell Sun. The poster shows a Victorian home rendered in pen, ink and watercolor wash technique using newspaper reproduction methods. This poster was part of a project in the Commercial Art Shop that

has the students designing advertisements for newspaper and rotogravure production. As part of the final requirement before graduation, each student is job-ready with a portfolio of 12 pieces of art showing the range of the student's ability and his preferences in art, along with a printed resume and business card of the student's creation. Last year all commercial art graduates were placed in industry, and three students went on to area art schools and colleges.

births

FINLAY: Karen Jean, third child, second daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Finlay of Silver Springs, Maryland on December 1 at Holy Cross Hospital in Silver Springs.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bradford Case of Oakridge Circle Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Finlay of Naples, Florida.

GRIFFIN: Gregg, first child to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Griffin (Kathy Collins), 1 Benson Road, Tewksbury on December 14 at New England Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Collins of 4 Maple Road, Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. Albert G. Griffin of Oak Street.

McFEETERS: Deborah Ann, second child, second daughter to Mr. and Mrs. George McFeeters of 63 Salem St., Wilmington on December 4 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents include Mrs. Mary Orlowski of Lowell Street, Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McFeeters of Goleta, Calif.

Shawsheen Tech Students of the Month



Richard Levasseur of 35 Anthony Road, Tewksbury, has been selected the December Student of the Month from Shawsheen Tech. The program sponsored by the Billerica Lodge of Elks seeks to honor students on the basis of character, leadership, service and scholastic achievement.

Richard is a senior in electronics and works part-time at Xenon Corporation in Wilmington. He is on the winter track team, the Tewksbury Recreation Bowling League and has been involved in St. William's CYO activities.

It should be noted that since Richard's parents are both deceased, he has assumed many responsibilities both financial and emotional for

himself and his two brothers. Despite these pressures, Richard remained on the honor roll for all four years.

Dawn Patterson, daughter of Rufus and Kathleen Patterson of 6 Patterson Street in Wilmington, has been selected the December Student of the Month from Shawsheen Tech. The program sponsored by the Billerica Lodge of Elks seeks to honor students on the basis of character, leadership, service and scholastic achievement.

Dawn is a senior in the Commercial Art Department and works as a co-op student at James Gallagher & Associates in Chelmsford.



Dawn is currently the chairperson of the Student Ad-

visory Council and on the yearbook staff. She is on the intramural swim team, Senior Class Activities Committee and the Congregational Youth Group. Her art work has been shown in the Spring Arts Festival at Shawsheen and the Boston Globe Art Show. In addition to being a consistent honor roll student, Dawn finds time to work with handicapped students and make signs for various town organizations.

Dawn is an energetic, involved young woman. She is sensitive to others and says of herself, "I like to make people smile. If I don't, my day isn't complete."

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MBTA-B&M plans

Haverhill is about to apply for federal and state funds, to extend rail commuter service to that city from Boston, according to an article recently published in the Reading Chronicle. Application is to be made sometime in the next year. July is reported to be the target date.

The Chronicle reports that such rail commuter service is planned to be through the rail line that goes through Reading Square and North Wilmington. Previous rail service to Haverhill, which was discontinued about two years ago, was via the Wildcat Railroad.

The MBTA and the Town of Andover have negotiated the acquisition of land adjacent to Route 93 for a major parking lot near the Gillette plant, according to the article. This seems to be for a bus operation, for it speaks of buses to ride into Boston. The Chronicle comments that such an operation might lure away southbound commuters who now drive into Reading and park their cars all day, from as far away as New Hampshire.

According to the Reading Planning Board Chairman, Maureen O'Brien, the MBTA-B&M transportation in Reading has slumped badly and according to present MBTA studies the rail line to that town will be abandoned in favor of bus routes, if ridership does not pick up within two years. O'Brien also said that the MBTA is looking for a "regional office" and has its eye on the Reading depot for that purpose.

The selectmen of Reading have greeted that item of news with mixed reactions. But they agreed that the present MBTA bus services that now go to Reading Square could and should go instead to the depot, and that some of the present bus stops, particularly those in Reading Square should be eliminated. The railroad depot in Reading is now town property.

Andover, too, has shown interest in MBTA rail service to Boston. A committee of five men was appointed recently, to be called the Commuter Rail Study Committee.

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Rangers surround Carbone

Three Methuen defenders surround Wilmington guard Sal Carbone (22) late in Friday night's MVC game. The Wildcats are looking for their first win of the season.

MVC hockey

Redmen set for Billerica showdown; Wildcats record first win

It may seem a bit strange to be talking about a showdown in the Merrimack Valley Hockey League at this early stage of the season, but that's just what tonight's (Dec. 27) game between the undefeated Tewksbury Redmen and Billerica Indians at the Hallenborg Pavilion (8 p.m.) shapes up as after coach John Corbett's Redmen improved their record to 2-0-0 with a 4-1 conquest of Methuen last Wednesday.

Tewksbury dropped a pair of important games to the Indians a year ago - two games that had they won would have been enough to propel the Redmen into tournament competition.

This is the 78-79 season however and Tewksbury figures Billerica can be had - even at Hallenborg where the

tribewins like clockwork. The race for MVHL honors is already developing after just two games, however with Billerica, Tewksbury and Austin Prep all unbeaten with the Chelmsford Lions being the only preseason favorite sporting a setback.

The young and scrappy Wilmington Wildcats shouldn't be overlooked after picking up their first win under rookie head coach Bill Cullen last Wednesday.

Wilmington tipped an improved Andover team 3-2 and are set for a reunion with former Wildcat hockey mentor Ken Palm tonight (Dec. 27) at Methuen when the Cats face off against the Rangers at 7 p.m. Cullen is no stranger to the promising Methuen High hockey scene, having coached there under Bruce Parker.

A summary of last Wednesday's games:

Redmen topple Rangers, 4-1
Palm and his Rangers are definitely on the rise, but they aren't in Tewksbury's class just yet as the Redmen got goals from Bob Doughty and Ted Dascoli just 22 seconds apart in the second period to snap a 1-1 deadlock enroute to win number two of the MVHL season.

Junior wingman Bob Dascoli got the Redmen on the board at 46 seconds of the opening period with a goal assisted by Doughty. Methuen's Walt White evened the score at 1-1 at 10:20 with Billy DePardo assisting.

Paul Erickson and Tom Hill assisted on Ted Dascoli's game

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MVC basketball

Defense turns trick for TMHS; Wildcats still looking for first win

by Rick Cooke

Tewksbury High junior guard Jimmy Mangano asked me last week if I thought that his team would win a game this winter. Obviously, I replied that this young Tewksbury club could win a few games based on its quickness in the backcourt with what looks like the best defensive team coach Dave Mullen has had in his brief three year tenure as head man.

Jimmy agreed that there was an overabundance of guards on this team while also concurring that defensive quickness was a Tewksbury forte that would be reckoned with before long.

James, my man, that quickness and defensive improvement paid off in a big way Friday night when you and your mates handed the Billerica Indians their first loss of the young season - a 62-60 upset at TMHS. It was Tewksbury's first win after beatings at the hands of Andover and Methuen.

And the guards - especially Mangano, spelled the difference for Mullen's men who will be looking to stage a repeat performance in the University of Lowell Christmas Tournament this week. Last winter the Redmen knocked off Lowell and played Chelmsford for the tourney title in somewhat of a surprise.

Games will be played Tuesday and Wednesday of this week with the championship and consolation tilts scheduled for Friday night at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Billerica, Chelmsford, Dracut, Lowell, Greater Lowell, Ayer and Acton-Boxboro are the other clubs involved in the holiday roundball action.

The Wilmington Wildcats and rookie coach Don Doucette are still looking for their first win of the MVC season, having been bopped last week by conference tough guys Andover (62-26) and Methuen (62-45).

The losses have all been rather lopsided with the Cats hanging tough until the fourth quarter Friday night against the Rangers at the WHS gym. Yes, the WHS gym. The game was scheduled as a 5 p.m. prelim to the Boston Celtics-Atlanta Hawks game at the Boston Garden Friday night, but Methuen failed miserably on its



No room for Dick

Wildcat center Dick Dowd (left) has little room to work in Friday night's 62-45 loss to Methuen.

end of the bargain - selling just 38 tickets while Wilmington had exhausted its supply of Garden ducats.

A disappointment to say the least, but the Cats played well for three quarters in front of an excellent home crowd before the Rangers patience on offense and a three point play by defending MVC scoring champ Kevin Bradley did in Doucette and his scrappy gang.

A SUMMARY OF LAST WEEK'S ACTION:

Redmen stage the upset
The Indians, with a 2-0 record and strong rebounding up front in the persons of Ed Foley and center Andy Dagle, were supposed to blow the Redmen away for loss number three.

The blowout never materialized thanks to the inspired defensive play of Mangano and two free throws by junior guard Rich Catanzaro that gave Tewksbury its margin of victory with 30 seconds left to play.

Mullen went with a fullcourt man-to-man press and the Indians just couldn't cope with the pressure headed by Mangano, who busted his butt to improve his play with what seemed like round the clock work at the Livingston Street Courts last summer.

Mangano, Catanzaro and junior guard Ron Wallace made Mullen's three guard attack click against the bigger Indians, who committed 20 turnovers trying to snap the home guards' defensive stranglehold.

Billerica jumped to a 13-8 lead after one quarter and looked to be about ready to gain complete control before Tewksbury's quickness began paying dividends with a 33-29 lead at half-time.

The lead was 52-49 after three quarters, but the upset looked to be in jeopardy when junior co-captain John McNamara fouled out with 2:30 left in the game.

The trio of Catanzaro, Wallace and Mangano powered the Redmen from this point on however with Wallace leading the way with six points in the final minutes. Catanzaro scored four points as he and Wallace accounted for all of Tewksbury's scoring in the fourth quarter.

Coach Ed James' Indians had a chance to send the game into overtime with a shot at the buzzer, but the desperation heave banged off the backboard and the Redmen had their first win of the season.

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MVC girls basketball

Wildcats win first, Tewksbury still winless

The Wilmington High girls' basketball squad cracked the win column in MVC action last week while the Tewksbury girls are still winless after Friday night's 39-32 setback at Billerica.

Wilmington won its first game, tipping Andover 43-40 last week before being dropped by the Methuen Rangers 67-48 in Friday night's action. Wilmington's record in the MVC is 1-1 while Tewksbury is tied for last place with Dracut as both squads sport 0-3 marks to date. The Wildcats have the week off with Tewksbury looking to smooth out the rough spots in the Tyngsboro Christmas Tournament.

TMHS drops pair

Coach Barry Sheehan's girls are off to a slow start with losses to Methuen and Billerica last week. The Rangers bopped Tewksbury 63-36 with Ranger star Nancy Szostak pumping in 20 points.

Center Maura Caveney led the way for the TMHS girls with 10 points with guard Nancy Barbour chipping in with six.

Friday night both Billerica and Tewksbury got off to slow starts offensively, but fourth quarter problems continued to plague the locals as the Indians ran off a 14-4 surge in the final period enroute to the win.

Senior forward Val Relias paced the Tewksbury attack with 11 points with help from guard Patty Barlow who returned from a leg injury to score

six. Tina Coffin had five points for the visitors with junior forward Sally Sheehan helping the cause with four. Billerica center Cyndi Travis led her team with 17 points.

Wilmington divides pair

The Wildcats opened their season with a 43-40 trimming of Andover as guard Judy Johnson led the way with 12 points with Pat O'Reilly helping the cause with nine.

Junior standout Sue Rowe and senior forward B.J. Walker chipped in with eight points apiece while senior captain Janet Zambarnardi added six.

Rangers Linda Mistal and Szostak fired the Methuen attack in Friday's 67-48 conquest of the Wildcats. Rowe and Walker were the Wildcat mainstays with 10 points apiece with O'Reilly and Zambarnardi adding nine points each.

Merrimack Valley Girls Basketball League Results Friday

Billerica 39, Tewksbury 32
Chelmsford 61, Dracut 31
Methuen 67, Wilmington 48
Andover 52, Lowell 34 (non-league)

| | W | L | Pct. |
|------------|---|---|-------|
| Billerica | 2 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Chelmsford | 2 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Methuen | 2 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Andover | 1 | 1 | .500 |
| Lawrence | 1 | 1 | .500 |
| Wilmington | 1 | 1 | .500 |
| Dracut | 0 | 3 | .000 |
| Tewksbury | 0 | 3 | .000 |



Patty defends

Tewksbury guard Patty Barlow applies some defensive pressure during the first half of Friday night's 39-32 loss at Billerica. Patty returned to play after a leg injury suffered earlier in the week.

Squirt basketball clinic

This is the last week for the nine and 10-year-old boys to attend the free Basketball Clinic sponsored by the Wilmington Rec Department.

The final clinic for boys in the squirt division will be Saturday, December

30 at the High School gym from noon to 1 p.m.

Boys should try to attend this final session to get maximum benefit from the clinics.

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Wallace led the TMHS attack with a season high 16 points with McNamara hooping 15, forward Jim Galvin eight and power forward Rocky Rockwell six.

Billerica's Foley took home game high honors with 26, Ed Fogarty added 16 and Rich Flaherty seven. Indian center Andy Dagle was limited to just four points and no fieldgoals by the tough TMHS defense.

The Redmen enjoyed their best shooting night of the season with 24 of 51 from the floor while the Indians hit on 23 of 47. Tewksbury canned 14 of 21 free throws to Billerica's poor 14 of 30 night from the charity stripe.

Tuesday night the host Methuen Rangers controlled both backboards in the second half and rolled to an easy 84-61 win over the Redmen. McNamara hooped 21 points for Tewksbury with help from Wallace with 12 and Rockwell with eight points and another strong game around the basket. Bradley paced the Ranger attack with 25 points while Gary McLain finished with 20.

Wildcats looking for first win

A blowout at Andover was followed by a gritty loss to Methuen, but Doucette's team has never quit or backed down in the losses to two of the best teams in the Merrimack Valley Conference.

Wilmington, like Tewksbury, was overmatched in the loss at Andover with the Golden Warrior frontcourt of center Todd Orlando and power forward Jim Arnold doing the bulk of the damage.

Methuen's patience on offense eventually wore the Wildcats down in Friday's loss with guard Sal Carbone, forward Dave Woods and center Dick

Dowd all playing well for the home club.

Wilmington takes to the practice floor this week before resuming MVC play Wednesday, January 3 with a 7:30 p.m. game at Billerica. The Wildcats first scheduled home game of the season is Friday night January 5 with coach John Kelleher and his Lawrence Lancers. Wilmington will face another tough task January 9 when it hosts Chelmsford High.

Free throws....The crowd at Wilmington Friday night was one of the most enthusiastic basketball gatherings I have ever seen at the school. Doucette generates that kind of enthusiasm off the bench. The tie is undone and the arms are waving while he shouts instructions. The Wildcats are working at picking up the pace - both on offense and defense - and that style of play just might pay off in a few wins before the season is over.

Merrimack Valley Basketball Conference Results Friday

| | W | L | Pct. |
|----------------------------------|---|---|-------|
| Tewksbury 62, Billerica 60 | | | |
| Chelmsford 86, Dracut 58 | | | |
| Methuen 62, Wilmington 45 | | | |
| Lawrence 63, Lawrence Central 58 | | | |
| Chelmsford | 3 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Andover | 3 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Billerica | 2 | 1 | .667 |
| Lawrence | 2 | 1 | .667 |
| Methuen | 2 | 1 | .667 |
| Austin Prep | 1 | 2 | .500 |
| Lawrence Central | 1 | 2 | .333 |
| Tewksbury | 1 | 2 | .333 |
| Dracut | 0 | 3 | .000 |
| Wilmington | 0 | 3 | .000 |

TMHS wrestling

TMHS matmen divide pair

The Tewksbury High wrestling squad split a pair of matches last week, losing to an improved Masconomet squad 33-24 before belting Andover 45-10 Saturday.

The win over Andover boosted Tewksbury's dual meet mark to 2-1. The Lowell Holiday Tournament begins Friday night.

Last week's Tewksbury wrestling results:

Masconomet 33, Tewksbury 24
100 - Hague (T) dec. A. Wind, 2-1.
107 - Crippen (M) dec. John Riddle, 9-0.
114 - Allen (M) pinned Scott Chappell, 1:05.
121 - Dave Wakeen (T) pinned S. Wind, 5:00.
128 - Wood (M) dec. Mike Langlois, 15-7.
134 - Steve O'Keefe (T) pinned Fisher, 3:16.
140 - Boyle (M) pinned Joe Dogherly, 5:32.
147 - Mike Keon (T) pinned Mueskes, 3:03.
154 - Hogan (M) won by default.
169 - Cathcart (M) dec. Tim Kirchner, 9-5.

187 - Chris Ryan (T) dec. N. Consoles, 14-7.
Hvy - T. Consoles dec. Mike Smith, 10-1.

Tewksbury 45, Andover 10
100 - Dave Frocione (A) maj dec. Hague (T) 17-7.
107 - John Riddle (T) won by forfeit
114 - Scott Chappell (T) pinned Tom Fox (A) 4:21.
121 - Dave Wakeen (T) dec. Mike Fletcher (A) 12-7.
128 - Steve O'Keefe (T) pinned Pete Newton (A), 4:34.
134 - Mark Souter (A) pinned Pete Newton (A) 4:34.
134 - Mark Souter (A) pinned Mike Langlois (T) 2:40.
140 - Joe Dogherly (T) dec. Brian Lynch (A), 12-11.
147 - Mike Keon (T) pinned Rich Leary (A) 0:33.
157 - Tim Kirchner (T) pinned Mike Frank (A) 0:32.
169 - Chris Ryan (T) pinned Mike Graninger (A) 2:27.
187 - Mike Smith (T) dec. Charlie Kolodgy (A), 8-5.

Free public skating

Rink No. 1 at the Youth Ice Arena will be open to Wilmington residents from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, December 28 and Friday, December 29 for free public skating.

The schedule of available time is as follows:

10 to 11 a.m., skating for parents and their children who are in the third grade or younger; 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., open skating for all ages. No sticks or pucks will be allowed during these hours.



Contact sport

Who said basketball was a non-contact sport? Tewksbury junior co-captain John McNamara takes a mid-court hit from an Andover defender in earlier MVC action. The Redmen upset Billerica Friday night.

Hockey From page 6

winner at 4:01 of the middle period with Bob Dascoli helping on Doughty's insurance score at 4:23.

Erickson rounded out the TMHS scoring with a goal at 6:14 of the third period assisted by Hill. It was Erickson's first goal of the season.

TMHS senior goaltender John Gonzalez was solid in nets for Tewksbury with 12 stops while Methuen's Dave Marchand had 16 saves for the game.

Wildcats nip Andover, 3-2

Paul Farnham gave the spunky Golden Warriors a 1-0 lead in the second period before the Wildcats charged back to score all their goals in the middle stanza to record their first win of the young season.

Steve Connolly, Jim Burns and Scott Richards tallied the next three goals in the second period to give soph netminder Rick Ballou a 3-1 cushion to work with.

Tim McCann had two assists for WHS with captain Steve Mickle, Austin Prep transfer Dave Ballou and Jack McDonald getting the other helpers.

Andover's Alex Milne cut the Wilmington lead to 3-2 in the middle

stanze before Ballou turned the tide for the Wildcats. Cooke

Merrimack Valley Hockey League Results Wednesday

Austin Prep 4, Chelmsford 3
Billerica 12, Lawrence Central 0
Wilmington 3, Andover 2
Tewksbury 4, Methuen 1
Dracut 6, Lawrence 0

| | W | L | T | P | F | A |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|----|----|
| Billerica | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 24 | 0 |
| Austin Prep | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 12 | 5 |
| Tewksbury | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 9 | 3 |
| Chelmsford | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 20 | 4 |
| Dracut | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 12 |
| Methuen | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 5 |
| Wilmington | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 10 |
| Andover | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 8 |
| Lawrence Central | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 16 |
| Lawrence | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 23 |

Games tonight (Dec. 27)

Lawrence Central vs Lawrence (4:10 p.m., Merrimack College); Andover vs Austin Prep (5:40 p.m., Merrimack); Dracut vs Chelmsford (5:30 p.m., Billerica Forum); Wilmington at Methuen (7 p.m., Methuen High); Tewksbury at Billerica (8 p.m., Hallenborg

CAC hockey

Rams roll past Minuteman, Rockport

The Shawsheen Tech hockey juggernaut continued to steamroll CAC opponents last week in stretching its conference unbeaten streak to 30 games over a three year period.

The Rams blasted Minuteman Regional 13-2 last week before ripping Rockport 17-0 to improve their CAC record to 3-0-0 having outscored opponents 38-4. Lowell and Shawsheen are tied for the top spot after last week's action.

Ten different players cracked the scoring column for the Rams in their 13-2 rout of Minuteman with Wilmington's Bob Greenberg leading the way with three goals and two assists.

Bill O'Boyle had two goals for the winners while the other goal scorers were Pete Davey, Joe Williams, Eric Shute, Dave Biamonte, Kevin

Chiavelli, Mike Beatrice, Joe Carr and Scott Isabelle.

Biamonte had three assists with Isabelle, Shute, Davey and O'Boyle notching two helpers apiece.

Joe Iozzo and Dean Sousa shared the netminding duties.

The 17 goals scored in the Rockport win was a new single game record in the CAC and it was Greenberg who fired the attack with a goal and seven assists for eight points. Joe Williams had five Ram goals. Biamonte and O'Boyle recorded two goals and three assists apiece.

Beatrice had three goals with Steve Brady chipping in with a goal and three assists and Davey a goal and two helpers. Other lamp lighters for the Rams were Shute and Chuck McNeil.

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Wilmington youth hockey

Pee Wee A's trip Melrose

Wilmington Pee Wee A's played an excellent game against Melrose in Wilmington with a 4-2 win last week. Dean Athanasia lit the lamp at 6:41 of the first period with an assist going to Dennis Moran. Melrose came back to score at 5:34 before Paul Brady got a beautiful shot from the face off after a pass from Athanasia at 8:03 of the second period.

Solid hustle and backchecking from the line of Billy Woods, Tom McHugh and Dave Fuller kept Melrose busy. After Melrose scored Jim Newhouse pocketed the game winner unassisted.

With 30 seconds left Newhouse assisted by Moran gave Wilmington its insurance score. Solid defense by Joey Cornish, Kevin Cullivan, Kevin Robinson and Paul Brady kept Melrose bottled up with goalies Tony Aresco and Billy Wolfe seeing just 12 shots.

Pee Wee A's battle Nashua

The Pee Wee A's (13-3-0) played good two way hockey Friday night in a win over Nashua, N.H. It was scoreless in the first period before Paul Brady scored at 6:19 in the second stanza unassisted for a 1-0 Wilmington lead.

Harry Cunningham played a solid game with a beautiful rush up ice only to be robbed by the Nashua goalie. Good hustle and forechecking by Jim Taylor and Steve Raso kept Nashua busy in its own end.

At 6:28 of the third period Jim Newhouse scored with Dean Athanasia assisting. Nashua came back at 1:44 and scored its only goal.

With 45 seconds left to play the A's added their third and final goal scored by Dennis Moran assisted by Newhouse. Billy Wolfe played an outstanding game in nets for Wilmington.

Squirt A's defeated twice

Friday the Squirt A's stretched their winning streak to three as they clipped Cambridge 4-2 in a come from behind win. Cambridge took a two goal lead before Wilmington came back with four unanswered tallies of its own.

The Wilmington scorers were John McLaughlin (two) and Eric Cornish along with Steve Fuller with one apiece. Mark Bere, Eric Cornish, Scott Fuller, Eric Ouellette and Steven Hunt all picked up assists.

Saturday the A's saw their streak come to an end as they came out on the short end of a 2-1 decision in a well played game against Andover. Andover took the lead in the first period, but Wilmington came back to tie the score early in the second stanza on a goal by Steven Hunt assisted by Danny Kelley.

Andover scored the winning tally with just one and a half minutes left in the game. The locals made a strong effort to tie the game, but were turned back by some great goaltending.

Todd Boudreau, up from the Squirt B's for his second game, turned in another good performance.

On Sunday the A's took on Newton and dropped a 7-1 decision with Chris Athanasia scoring with help from Mark Bere.

Somerville tops Bantam B's

The Bantam B's dropped a 5-1 decision to an unbeaten Somerville team December 23. The B's were outshot 46-19. The lone Wilmington score was by Kevin Smith unassisted in the second period.

Sunday, December 24 in Burlington the B's defeated Malden 3-1 with a 29-20 shots on goal margin. The first period was scoreless before Wilmington scored midway through the second period.

Charlie Athanasia got the go-ahead goal assisted by Kevin Smith and with two minutes left in the second period Malden knotted the score at 1-1.

With 21 seconds gone in the third period Kevin Smith scored assisted by Charlie Athanasia and Fran O'Hearn. Danny Ward scored the game's final goal assisted by Jim Smith.

Scott Campbell and Ed Laquidara shared net minding duties in both games.

Wilmington's Youth Hockey Clinic will resume at the WYIA Wednesday night January 10 from 5:20 to 6:20.

MVC track

Jones, Lurvey star in losing causes

Tewksbury's Jim Jones and Wilmington's Bob Lurvey came up with outstanding efforts in losing causes for their respective teams in last Thursday's Merrimack Valley Conference track action at the Phillips Academy cage in Andover.

Jones, a Tewksbury senior, was a double winner in his team's 52-34 loss to Methuen. Jim took firsts in the high jump (6'0") and the hurdles (6.5).

Wilmington's senior Lurvey captured the shot put with a heave of 49'11" to lead the cause for coach Frank Kelley's team in a 54½-31½ loss to Andover.

Other individual winners for coach Mike Daley's Redmen were miler Mark Fougere (4:51), two miler John Stewart (10:34.2) and senior shot putter Dan Bradley (48'6").

Tewksbury's mile relay team of Paul Busser, Curt Smolinsky, Mike Morgan and Stewart cruised to a win with a time of 3:57.6.

Taking thirds for Tewksbury were sophomore Joe Bernardi in the 1000, Smolinsky in the 600 and junior two miler Dave Fudge.

The strong Ranger tracksters swept the 50 yard dash and took first and second places in the 300, 600 and 1000.

The Wildcats took four first places in the loss to the Golden Warriors with seniors Kevin Cogan winning in the 1000 with a 2:32 time and Rich DesForges the 300 with a 35.8 finish.

Wildcats taking second places were soph two miler Carl Borgeson, senior hurdler Roger Coville, 50 yard dashman Bill McCann, 600 man Dave Nally, two miler Mike Cassidy, miler John Mucci shot putter Mark Venuti and high jumper Ken Warren.

Wilmington was also winner in the mile relay. - Cooke

Methuen 52, Tewksbury 34

50 Hurdles - won by Jones (T), Wells (M), Mahoney (M) Time: 6.5

50 dash - Won by Fram (M), Guzal (M), Canzano (M), Time: 5.8

300 - Won by Tarr (M), Ness (M), Blute (T), Time: 35.1

600 - Won by Ventre (M), 2, Gilbert (M), Smolinsky (T), Time: 1:22.3

1000 - Won by Hillary (M), Vicari (M), Bernardi (T), Time: 2:37.5

Mile - Won by Fougere (T), Lemieux (M), Ardizzone (M), Time: 4:51.0

2-Mile - Won by Stewart (t), DeChane (M), Fudge (T), Time: 10:34.2

High jump - Won by Jones (T), Wells (M), Guzal (M), Height: 6'0"

Shot Put - Won by Bradley (t), Walsh (M), Baker (M), Distance: 48'6"

Mile Relay - Won by Tewksbury, Time: 3:57.6

Andover 54½, Wilmington 31½
50 Hurdles - Won by Surret (A), Coville (W), Dorsey (A), Time: 6.7
50 Dash - Won by Wilkins (A), LaCourse (A), McCann (W), Time 5.7
300 - Won by DesForges (W), Grams (A), Flaherty (A), Time: 35.8
600 - Won by Lucey (A), Gutermann (A), Nally (W), Time: 1:22.2

100 - Won by Cogan (W), Terrion (A), Holtham (A), Time: 2:32.0
Mile - Won by Barlow (A), Innes (A), Mucci (W), Time: 4:41.5
2-Mile - Won by Worthley (A), Borgeson (W), Cassidy (W), Time: 10:03.8

High jump - Won by Wilkins (A), Dorsey (A), tie MacDonald (A) and Warren (W), Height: 5'8"

Shot put - Won by Lurvey (W), Gold (A), Venuti (W), Distance: 49'11"

Mile Relay - Won by Wilmington, Time: 3:52.2

Merrimack Valley Indoor Track League

Results Thursday

Billerica 51, Lawrence Central 35

Methuen 52, Tewksbury 34

Lawrence 45½, Dracut 40½

Andover 54½, Wilmington 31½

Chelmsford 43, Austin Prep 43

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Lawrence Central 0 2 0 .000

Tewksbury 0 2 0 .000

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Meets Thursday

Methuen Fieldhouse, 1 p.m.

Dracut vs Chelmsford; Billerica vs

Tewksbury; Methuen vs Wilmington;

Andover vs Austin Prep; Lawrence Central vs Lawrence.



You're just a
little bit off

Wilmington High School track coach Frank Kelley lets shot putter Scott Holloway know that he was just a couple of inches off in his form Thursday at Andover.

Shawsheen track

Greater Lawrence rips Rams

Shawsheen Tech's indoor track squad dropped its second meet of the season last week with Greater Lawrence Regional handing the Rams a 64-22 setback.

Ram winners were two miler Joe Osborne (11:50) and miler Jim Court

(5:01) with Bob Court (600), Mark Hurley (50) and Dan Buckner (high jump), taking second places.

Third places went to John Peters (shot put), Ron Court (1000) and Bob Jones (300).

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Stewart Tufts' star

Jim Stewart, a sophomore halfback from Wilmington, has earned his first varsity letter with the Tufts University football team, coach Vic Gatto announced last week.

Winning its last four games of the season, Tufts posted a 5-3 record in Gatto's first season on the Hillside. It marked only the second winning football season during the 1970's at Tufts.

Moved from quarterback to halfback one day before the first scrimmage, Stewart started the first seven games of the season and emerged as the Jumbos' leading rusher with 371 yards in 83 attempts. He also caught three passes for 14 yards.

"Jim is an excellent athlete. With the experience he gained this season, we expect him to develop into an outstanding small college running back," said John D'Ottavio, Tufts' backfield coach.

A former football, basketball and baseball standout at Wilmington High School, Jim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervyl Stewart, of 95 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington. Jim is a history major at Tufts.



Jim Stewart

Redmen drub Billerica

Tewksbury's freshman basketball squad racked up its second win of the season with a convincing 64-46 drubbing of Billerica at the Junior High Friday afternoon. Guard Todd DiRocco and forward Bob Leitch shared the scoring honors with 11 points apiece while sixth man Tony Romano popped home seven as coach Doug Ahern's team came out with a full court man-to-man defense to blow the Indians away early.

Tewksbury led 42-22 at the half and

built the lead to 56-32 after three quarters enroute to win number two against one loss. Last Tuesday Methuen evened Tewksbury's record at 1-1 with a 59-45 win at Methuen. Guard Phil Farr led the way with 16 points with Leitch scoring 12 and Romano eight.

The frosh have a week off before hosting Lawrence January 2 and traveling to Chelmsford Parker January 5.



Batter up

Wilmington's Rod Millet chases down a loose ball that appears ready to be swatted by the WHS batter in the background.

Swimming cancelled

The Wilmington Recreation Department has suspended all swimming activities at the Tech Pool for Sunday,

December 31. Swimming will resume on Sunday, January 7.

where the action is

Where the action is

Basketball
ULowell Holiday Tournament, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; Tyngsboro girls tournament Tuesday and Wednesday.

Hockey
Wednesday, Dec. 27
Tewksbury at Billerica (8 p.m.);
Wilmington at Methuen (7 p.m.).

Sports Notebook

Super Bowl matchup - Cowboys vs. Steelers

by Rick Cooke
Don't look now, but the Patriots won't reach the Super Bowl - Fairbanks or no Fairbanks. It's quite likely that New England won't even qualify for the AFC championship game if Dan Pastorini, Earl Campbell and company stage a repeat performance of their harpooning of the Dolphins.

For what it's worth, here are my playoff picks. Please bear in mind that I was a Patriots' season ticket holder this season.

NFC

Dallas Cowboys 23, Atlanta Falcons 10. Remember what Landry's bunch did to the Bears a year ago in a similar playoff game matchup? Was it 38 or 36-0? Another forgettable playoff encounter as the boring Falcons offense runs out of fourth quarter miracles.

Los Angeles Rams 17, Minnesota Vikings 7. These two teams, most notably Minnesota, crawled and sputtered through the regular season all the way to what should be a good four hours of dozing in preparation for the New Year.

How many more years do we have to watch Tarkenton dump the ball off to a back for a three yard gain to set up a third and eight situation?

Dallas Cowboys 24, Los Angeles Rams 7. To all those who said that this was the Rams' year - forget it. Johnny Carson will still have the Rams to dump on after Staubach and Tony Hill expose that secondary.

AFC

Houston Oilers 24, New England Patriots 21. A Tony Fritsch field goal

Tewksbury Adult Basketball

Hardware stuns Sullivans

The once-hapless Tewksbury Paint and Hardware club recorded its biggest win in three years with a 74-52 romp over slumping Sullivan's Insurance Thursday night at the Junior High. The loss knocked Sullivan's out of a first place tie with Wang Labs as the Wang gang toppled last place Jade East 85-74 in the nightcap.

Wang now is alone on top with a 5-1 record with Sullivan's in second place at 4-2. Defending champ M&S Mobil and Paint and Hardware both have 2-3 marks with the Jade East bringing up the rear at 1-5.

Sullivan's, after getting off to a 4-0 start, suffered its second straight blowout loss with Hardware stretching a 47-39 lead after three quarters to a 20 point margin in the final minutes.

The balanced Hardware attack was led by center Mike Mangano who

nicks the right goal post and carooms through the uprights with no time left on the clock after an Earl Campbell fumble, recovered and run in for a touchdown by Ernie "Arrowhead" Holmes, is called no fumble by an official who is glad that the 50,000 or so inebriates on hand for this New Years' Eve title tilt can't see the instant replay.

Visions of doom and that Oakland playoff game of two years ago still dance in my head. The Oilers look more and more like the Denver Broncos of 1979 and Pastorini is rapidly sidling up to Terry Bradshaw as the game's premier quarterback.

Chuck just might be able to catch an early flight to Colorado.

Pittsburgh Steelers 21, Denver Broncos 10. The Steeler defense rises up and swats Craig Morton and his fleet of running backs away like so many knats on a sticky summer day by the favorite swamp.

This may be the year of the Steeler and who deserves it more than the league's Most Valuable Player Terry Bradshaw who for so long shrugged off the label of a "dumb quarterback" to eventually set his sights on becoming the Roger Staubach of the 1980s.

Pittsburgh Steelers 34, Houston Oilers 17. The Steelers proved they were the best of the lot over the regular season, but the Oilers - or quite possibly the Patriots - could give them a battle before it's all over.

Super Bowl

Steelers 24, Cowboys 20. And the baseball teams head for spring training.

warmed up after a slow start in the first half to finish with 18 points. Mangano pumped in 10 points in the fourth quarter to spark the P&H romp.

Player-coach Rick Cooke was next in line with 14, followed by forward Larry Bradley with 13 points and guard John Bacheller who hung tough on a sore knee to score 12-six coming in the fourth quarter.

Sullivans, minus leading scorer Jim Meuse, was led by Mike Manna with 15 points and center Mickey Sullivan who hooped 11. Steve Ferri, Bob Boehm and player-coach Jim Sullivan had six points apiece.

In the second game of the night Wang's Ted Faber and Russ Dufresne burned last place Jade East with some long range shooting to the tune of 22 points apiece. Forward Fred Stec finished with 12 with guard Tom

Frosh girls unbeaten

Coach Donna Tanner's girls freshman basketball squad is off and running with three wins to start the season after Friday's 50-39 win over Billerica that gave the Tewksbury girls a perfect 3-0 record. The other wins have come over Andover West (48-45) and Methuen (56-34).

Patty Murphy led the Tewksbury attack in the win over Billerica with a game high 23 points. Jerrie Bernier chipped in with nine points while June DeStefano and Joanne Lemelin helped the cause with six points apiece. Robin Riddle, Katie Albert and Susan Rheault all played tough defense for Tewksbury.

The winners stormed out to a 20-2 lead after one quarter and coasted to a 28-13 halftime lead.

Co-captain Murphy led her team in scoring with 23 points in the win over Andover West while co-captain Bernier controlled the boards and popped in 13. Murphy and Bernier, playing together for the second year, have provided the team with a strong fast break and solid defense. Both girls worked hard over the summer, at camp and in Tewksbury's summer recreation program.

Riddle, an excellent ballhandler and

scoring threat, chipped in four points for the Redwomen along with Rheault who finished with seven. Mary Hill, Albert, Lemelin and DeStefano also contributed to the win with strong defensive efforts.

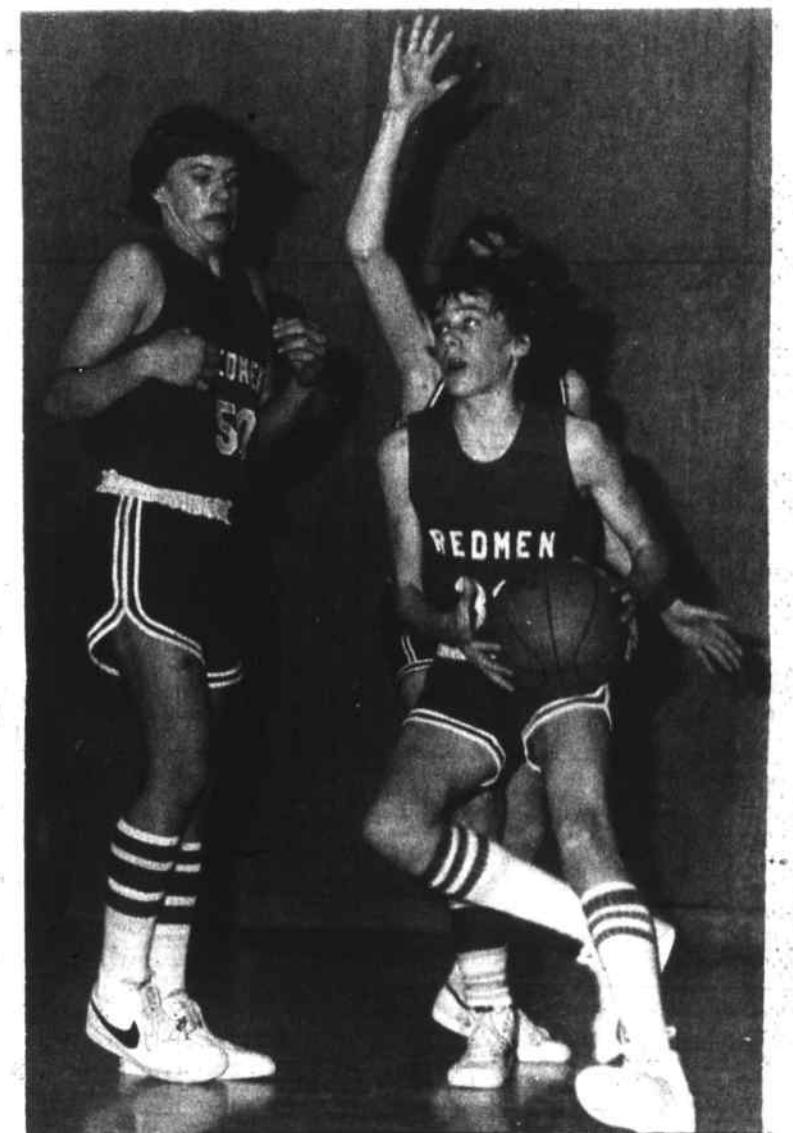
Tuesday, in their home debut, the Redwomen crushed the Methuen Rangers 56-34. Murphy again led the attack with 24 points with help from Jerrie Bernier who sank 16 points and led the team in offensive and defensive rebounds.

Riddle chipped in 10 points and along with Murphy caused several Ranger turnovers that resulted in Tewksbury scores.

Rounding out the scoring was Lemelin, Albert and Rheault. A tough defensive effort was turned in by Hill, DeStefano, Judy Frederico, Kim Reale and Debbie Fuller with Kris Robinson and Maria Catalano also seeing action.

Coach Tanner considers herself very lucky this year to have this talented group of players. "They are smart, cooperative, and enthusiastic, but most important they love the game of basketball," said Tanner.

Tewksbury's next home game is January 6 when they host Chelmsford Parker.



Look out Ed, Phil's on the warpath

Guard Phil Farr picks up his dribble and looks for the shot while center Ed Ferriera attempts to get out of the guards' way. The Tewksbury frosh romped past Billerica Friday.

Wang Labs 5-1
Sullivan's Insurance 4-2
Paint and Hardware 2-3
M&S Mobil 2-3
Jade East 1-5

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Imbimbo hangs up his hat



by Elaine DePasquale
John Imbimbo has seen a lot of changes in the 35 years since he joined the Wilmington Police Department. For one thing, the department's telephone no longer rings in the chief's house, nor is there a bell at the traffic intersection in Wilmington Center alerting the police officer on duty there to run into the station and answer the phone.

Imbimbo retired last summer after many years as the department's lieutenant and second in command. He recalls, quite vividly, both of the previously mentioned situations. They were standard operating procedure during the days when the department was housed in the lower end of Griffin's hardware store on Church Street...about 1953, Imbimbo says. If the phone kept ringing, it was clear that there was no police officer in the vicinity.

"If you were a kid up there in the square those days, you knew when there was no one in the police station," said Imbimbo's wife, "Maggie." Once, she recalled, a prisoner was "sprung by his cohorts at such a time, with keys kept hanging outside the cell door. Just like the Andy Griffith Show."

Imbimbo's long involvement with the Wilmington Police Department began in July, 1943. Except for a brief hitch in the U.S. Navy during World War II, it continued unbroken until last summer.

"I wanted to be a police officer ever since I was seven years old," said Imbimbo in a recent interview.

Another ambition of his which took shape as he grew up was to become an attorney. In the unstable days of the great depression, though, law school was an impracticality so, for Imbimbo, "the next best thing was police work."

In his police career, however, he managed to combine the best of both worlds, acting as the department's prosecutor almost from the time he was first appointed a regular patrolman.

The department Imbimbo joined as a regular in January 1946, after his navy hitch, bore little resemblance to today's burgeoning operation of 34 regular police officers. Back then there were only five...Imbimbo, when he was appointed, made six.

In those days, said Imbimbo, "they gave you a hat, badge and breast badge...put you on the midnight shift...and told you to watch the town."

Each man purchased his own equipment, including his gun, and had to be a complete, all-around police officer, he said.

"If there was a break, you used to do everything yourself," Imbimbo said. "If it happened on your shift, you investigated the matter. There were no detectives."

In addition to handling all

police matters, the department, in the late nineteen forties and early nineteen fifties, operated an ambulance. Imbimbo even assisted in delivering a baby once in the chilly confines of the hardware store's basement garage, where the ambulance was kept. Doc Fagan was also on the scene, and Imbimbo had to stand over a cell radiator with the infant to keep him warm until the doctor could tend to him.

Oblivious to the blessed event, said Imbimbo, was an inebriated prisoner sleeping it off.

Law enforcement problems back then were much the same as today, however, Imbimbo said, except that the population, at about 5,000, was much smaller. And, said Imbimbo, "We never really had that much of a problem with kids drinking."

Until the town went dry in 1947, however, there were plenty of adults drinking. "I had plenty of experience with the booze joints," Imbimbo explained, used to have to close them up at night, making the rounds to five or six well-known spots. Names like the Black Cat and the Rainbow still jog people's memories, thirty years later.

The only restaurant of that time which is still in business is Rocco's, but, said Imbimbo, it was never just a barroom.

It was a case of true love that brought Imbimbo from his native Chelsea to Wilmington 41 years ago, and it took a pretty Irish lass named Margaret Duggan to persuade him to stay.

The couple met in 1937 at Schraft's in Sullivan Square, Charlestown, where they both worked. Margaret, or Mag as she is better known, is the second youngest of a branch of a well-known and still-growing Wilmington family which moved here from Everett in 1929.

In a bungalow on Cottage Street near Silver Lake, Imbimbo and his bride set up housekeeping. Forty-one years and three children later, they still live on the same street.

During his years with the police department, Imbimbo took his work seriously. In the days when police officers had to pay their own tuition, he studied at Bloomberg's Police School in Boston and attended seminars given by the F.B.I. whenever he possibly could.

In 1965, he was promoted to sergeant and picked up the duties of juvenile officer and safety officer as well as being the department's chief prosecuting officer.

"I would be gone hours on end. I never worked by the clock," Imbimbo said. "And I never got paid for any more than eight hours."

And neither did he miss a scheduled day of work, until the heart problem which led to his retirement.

In 1965, after topping the

state's exams, Imbimbo was appointed lieutenant.

Two years ago, Imbimbo set about satisfying another longing he had in his life, that of being a selectman. The Imbimbo family is very political. Maggie has long been involved in town Democratic activities. Their daughter Diana served a term on the Wilmington School Committee.

He was elected selectman in March, 1977. During his first year of office, there were people who challenged him as being in conflict of interest, for his holding the lieutenant's position and the selectman's seat at the same time. His retirement made the question moot, and he is still a selectman. In a similar case in North Reading, that town's police lieutenant resigned from the board of selectmen.

But it is his job as prosecuting officer which Imbimbo says he misses most since his retirement. "I have to admit, I really miss the court," Imbimbo muses. "I always had a very close relationship with the court."

As of early this month, only one police officer had applied for Imbimbo's old job. According to Imbimbo this is because, a 1961 ruling on the case of Mapp versus the State of Ohio revolutionized police work by defining illegal search and seizure.

"Before that you presented your case. They weren't sticklers," Imbimbo said. However, since 1961, he said, "It has become a very technical job. You have to do your homework. You can't just go down and win cases. You have to compete with lawyers."

This was right up Imbimbo's alley. He referred very few cases to the court's assistant district attorney, and even was in demand by other towns and the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles as a prosecutor.

"He's a frustrated lawyer...that's really what he is," agreed Mag.

Although Imbimbo has retired from the police force, nine months after a heart attack forced him to scrutinize his style of living, he hasn't retired from life. He is serving as one of the town's five selectmen. He also works part-time at Wilmington Fabricators, Inc. on Main Street. In good weather, he can often be seen getting some exercise, pedaling a bicycle leisurely about town.

The Imbimbo's three children include Diana Imbimbo, a special assistant to the dean of psychology at Boston University, Betsy Woods, a Wilmington resident and mother of one child; and John Imbimbo Jr. who is a sophomore at the University of Massachusetts majoring in forestry.

A testimonial dinner will be given for Imbimbo at the Hillview Country Club on January 19, open to the public. Among the featured guest speakers will be Judge Francis Cullen, presiding justice at Woburn Court and Chief Clerk of Courts Frederick Gilgus.

Tickets for the evening are \$15 each and include a cocktail hour, beginning at 6:30, dinner at 8, and dancing. Reservations may be made by calling 658-8459 or 658-3819.



Star singers

Everybody knows that Rudolph had a red nose. And what better way is there to make a group of fourth grade students into a chorus for singing Rudolph the "Red-nosed Reindeer" than with a red star on each nose. The scene was a part of the Christmas pageant last Thursday afternoon at the Wildwood School.

Jaycees left unfinished business

The Jaycees are a national organization devoted to doing good, and to the improvement of the membership and the community through action. Comprised of young men between the ages of 18 and 35, the organization is currently attracting attention for its refusal to admit women members.

The organization, of course, is only as strong as its active membership. The Jaycees in Wilmington have been inactive for more than five years.

But one piece of unfinished business has come back to blot the history of the now defunct local Jaycee chapter.

For many years, the Jaycees donated a scholarship to a local student, on their graduation from Wilmington High School. A good number of Wilmington students went to college with a Jaycee stipend helping to pay their tuition.

In 1972, a young woman was awarded a \$200 scholarship by the Jaycees. It is believed that this was the last scholarship awarded by the local chapter.

She went to Gordon College, and has since graduated. Now married, she lives and works locally.

Gordon College never received the \$200. Since then, the college and the former student have both been trying

to determine who was responsible for paying the scholarship.

One of the problems is that nobody seems to know anybody who was a member of the Wilmington Jaycees in 1972.

In its effort to locate a local Jaycee, Gordon has contacted the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber, of course, is an organization of local businesses, and although the former name of the Jaycees was the Junior Chamber of Commerce, there was never any affiliation between the two organizations, locally or nationally.

The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce had no part in the scholarship. It is prohibited in its by-laws from donating to scholarships.

Last week, the Chamber of Commerce decided to appoint Ed Nash, a member of its Board of Directors, to be a one-man committee, to see if that scholarship could be paid, in some way or other. Nash is going to seek help from other organizations, ones that can donate scholarships.

Of course Ed would love to meet some young man who would say, "Yes, I was in the Jaycees in 1972," and then proceed to do something about that bill.

Delayed test results spark mother's concern

Delayed test results presented the first spot of tarnish on the new Regional Health Center's otherwise gleaming image late last week.

A Wilmington woman, Laura Maiella of 7 Sheridan Road, wrote the Town Crier and the Health Center this week to express her disappointment at the health center's handling of test results for her 10-year-old son, Michael.

In her letter, Mrs. Maiella explained that positive test results from a mononucleosis spot taken from her son on December 15, did not arrive at his doctor's office until six days later.

"He was attending the Woburn Street School for almost a whole week," wrote Mrs. Maiella. "I hate to think of how many other children will come down with this virus because of the efficiency...or lack of it...of your center."

According to Mrs. Maiella's letter, she called the Regional Health Center three days after the test was taken but was told that the results had been sent to her physician, Dr. Ralph Lepore. "I was told...if I hadn't heard from the doctor it was safe to assume that the results were negative," she wrote.

However, Michael's symptoms, chiefly an enlarged gland in his neck, worsened, and on December 21, she again called Dr. Lepore. His secretary, she wrote, told her their office had not received the test results, but offered to call the Health Center to check on them.

In actuality, the results were only then arriving in the morning mail, a fact that the secretary shared with Mrs. Maiella when she returned her call 10 minutes later.

In her letter, Mrs. Maiella questioned the wisdom of relaying positive test results through the mail.

Peter Nagle, director of public relations and development at Choate Hospital, the Health Center's affiliate, said

however that the communications breakdown was "more or less a fluke" and an isolated incident.

"Under our lab system, ordinarily this woman would have gotten her test results sooner," Nagle said. He pointed out that the tests were taken on a Friday and mailed out the same day. That they did not arrive at Dr. Lepore's office until the following Thursday was, he said, "a very unusual situation. We don't expect it to happen again."

"We have done hundreds of tests since the Center opened six weeks ago," said Nagle. According to him, the mailing, which he says is standard procedure in any hospital, ordinarily works well. Often, he added, doctors call the hospital for results and the mailings are only written confirmation.

Dr. Lepore, Mrs. Maiella's physician, said he was not extremely upset by the possibility of contagion. According to him, the disease is not transmitted to everyone who comes into contact with a carrier, but usually only to those sensitized to it by being tired or run-down.

births

CUSHING: Kelly Suzanne, first child to Jim and Suzi (Spiris) Cushing at 7 Concord St., Wilmington on December 8 at Emerson Hospital, Concord.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Spiris of Truman Road, Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cushing of Andover.

PERREAULT: Robert Freeman, third child, second son to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Perreault of 87 Belknap St., Lawrence on December 10 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents are Mrs. Frances Starke of Forest Street, Wilmington and Willis Starke of Old Pleasant Street, Bridgewater.

PIZZUTI: Adam Gerald, second child, first son to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pizzuti of Hall Road, Londonderry, N.H. on December 7 at Winchester Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Michael Amicangoli of Fair Meadow Road, Wilmington.

senior topics

A Merry Christmas party

Last Thursday more than 200 senior citizens and invited guests enjoyed an evening of entertainment and fun at the annual Council on Aging sponsored Christmas party. Everyone enjoyed a delicious meal and the music of Terry Koen's three piece band. Gifts were exchanged and there was a surprise visit from Santa Claus.

The evening was a great success. Exercise

Many seniors have enjoyed the weekly exercise program held each Monday morning at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The next session will be held on January 8. Classes will now run from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. The program consists of many new and varied light exercises. Those who would like to start off the year with some good exercises are urged to stop by the K of C Hall on Monday mornings at 10:45. These sessions are free to Wilmington seniors.

Afternoon buffet

The Council on Aging is sponsoring

an afternoon buffet dinner for Wilmington senior citizens. It will be held Wednesday, January 24 at the Coq D'or Restaurant in Dracut. Many seniors have enjoyed meals at the restaurant in the past and are looking forward to a return this fine establishment.

The Council will pay for the luncheon and will supply transportation for the trip now by taking a one dollar deposit to the Drop-in Center. The dollar will be refunded to seniors who attend on the day of the trip.

Plan now, travel later

Those who would like to take some type of overnight trip this spring or summer should start planning now. At the center there are brochures on special trips for seniors published by many of the local travel agencies.

While at the center, seniors are urged to pick up a senior citizens information sheet. They contain the specific programs Wilmington offers its senior citizens.

Minuteman Home Care menu

Menu served at Burlington and Woburn nutrition sites for elderly, Minuteman Home Care Corporation. Burlington Senior Citizens' Friendship Center, 45 Center Street, Burlington, Ma., Nutrition Aide, Kay Cavanaugh. Call 272-9552.

North Woburn-Wilmington, North Congregational Church, 896 Main Street, Woburn; site manager, Louise Nunziato. Call 933-8643 for reservations.

Reservations must be made by 11 a.m. the day before planned participation. Menus subject to change without notice. Transportation available, especially for handicapped people.

Tuesday: Chicken Croquettes, Supreme Sauce, O'Brien Potatoes, Squash, Applesauce Cake, Whipped Topping, Whole Wheat Bread, Oleo and Milk.

Wednesday: Citrus Juice, Baked Lasagna, Broccoli, Tapioca Pudding, Whipped Topping, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Italian Bread, Oleo and Milk.

Thursday: Apple Juice, Beef Stew, Green Beans, Fresh Orange, Peanut Butter Cookie, Dinner Roll, Oleo and Milk.

Friday: Citrus Juice, Baked Fish with Au Gratin Sauce, Whipped Potatoes, Lima Beans, Apricots, Whole Wheat Bread, Oleo and Milk.

school. She will now tape her essay at Station WLLH in Lowell and will be eligible for a district runoff.

"This is the 32nd annual Voice of Democracy Scholarship Program and a scriptwriting program designed to give high school students the opportunity to voice their opinions about America," said Dr. George O. Eisenberg, Principal of Wilmington High School. Eligibility is restricted to Grades 10-12, and the script must be not less than three minutes, nor longer than five minutes.

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